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REMARKS

Claims 18-49 are canceled. Claims 50-74 are added. Thus, upon entry of the amendment, Claims 1-17 and 50-74 are pending.

The specification has been amended to add canceled claimed subject matter to the Summary of the Invention. Support for the amendment to the specification is found in the specification, for example, at Claims 18-49 as originally filed. The amendment to the specification does not add new matter.

Applicants have canceled Claims 18-49 without prejudice to, or disclaimer of, the subject matter contained therein. Applicants maintain that the cancellation of a claim makes no admission as to its patentability and reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of the canceled claim in this or any other patent application.

New Claims 50-74 are added. Support for new Claims 50-74 is found in the specification, for example at Claims 18-49 and at page 7, line 24, through page 9, line 13. New Claims 50-74 do not add new matter.

Restriction Requirement

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated May 26, 2005, Applicants hereby elect the subject matter set forth as Group I, Claims 1-17. This election is made without traverse.

Applicants have added new claims consistent with this election.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that they have made a good-faith effort to respond to the subject Restriction Requirement in accordance with the relevant regulations. If the Examiner has further questions or comments regarding this response, the Examiner is cordially invited to contact the undersigned directly at (619) 235-8550 to resolve any such issues promptly.


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Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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